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Inventor: Osamu Takagi et al.

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Title: "CONNECTOR EXCELLENT IN

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Dear Sir:

This is a request for consideration of Petition Under 37 CFR 1.324, originally submitted on June 25, 2003. A decision on the Petition has not yet been received. A copy of the Petition as filed is enclosed. Also enclosed is a copy of the Return Receipt Postcard, which indicates that the Petition was received by the Office on June 30, 2003.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1965 with any fees that may be due in connection with this communication and attached Petition. A duplicate copy of this communication is attached for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: June 16, 2004

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FOR: Connector Excellent in Reliability of Contact

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PETITION TO ADD THE

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#### PETITION

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This petition is to add the names of two inventors who were inadvertently omitted, without any deceptive intent, from U.S. Patent Application No. 09/880,608, filed June 13, 2001, ("Application").

(1) The Application presently names the four inventors:

Osamu TAKAGI Kazumi TAKISHIMA Yoshifumi KUBOTA Yasufumi HAYASHI

all of whom are employees of Japan Aviation Electronics Industry Limited ("JAE") of 21-2, Dogenzaka 1-chome, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo, Japan.

(2) Without deceptive intent, the following two inventors were inadvertently omitted from being listed in the application as joint inventors:

Keigo MATSUURA Eiji SAITOH

both of whom are employees of Matsushita Communication Industrial Co., Ltd. ("MCI") of 4-3-1, Tsunashima-higashi, Kahoku-ku, Yokohama 223-8639 Japan, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd ("MEI") of 1006 Kadoma, Kadoma City, Osaka 571-8501 Japan.

- (3) The invention was a result of a joint effort between these six inventors and between JAE and MEI.
- (4) The omission of the two inventors resulted from an error which originally occurred when the parent Japanese application (186830/2000) was filed primarily because the omitted inventors were employees of MCI, and through MCI of MEI. Therefore, the names of the omitted inventors did not appear on the roster of JAE, the assignee company.

- (5) When the U.S. application (No. 09/880,608) was filed on June 13, 2001, the inventor names on the parent Japanese application were simply repeated on the U.S. application, as the designated inventors.
- (6) The error was first discovered after the U.S. Application No.
  09/880,608 was allowed and the issue fee was paid. Thereafter, due diligence has been used to correct the error.
- (7) Attached hereto are a declaration (37 CFR 1.63) and a statement by the six inventors and two assignees showing an agreement on the facts involved in the omission of two inventors.
  - (8) A correction is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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